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DATE:

December 3, 2010

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CR-FS

Director, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Frontier Natural Products Co-op Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION:

Unclassified Recall; Two products manufactured with non-organic nutmeg that were sold under the Frontier brand and under the Whole Foods Market brand because they may be contaminated with Salmonella; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the products being recalled may be distributed in the State of Indiana. Recalled products were sold in all 50 states and in some parts of Canada to distributors, retailers and consumers. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Recall -- Firm Press Release

FDA posts press releases and other notices of recalls and market withdrawals from the firms involved as a service to consumers, the media, and other interested parties. FDA does not endorse either the product or the company.

Frontier Natural Products Co-op Initiates Voluntary Recall Due to Possible Health Risk from Nutmeg

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - NORWAY, IOWA (November 30, 2010) - - In response to a recall commenced by its supplier (Mincing Overseas Spice Company, Dayton, New Jersey), Frontier Natural Products Co-op, is voluntarily recalling two products manufactured with non-organic nutmeg that were sold under the Frontier brand and under the Whole Foods Market brand listed below that contain nutmeg supplied by Mincing Overseas Spice Company. The nutmeg has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella.

"Consumption of products containing Salmonella can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms) endocarditic and arthritis."

Recalled products were sold in all 50 states and in some parts of Canada to distributors, retailers and consumers. Below is the list of products containing the nutmeg:

		Frontier Bulk Product		
Brand	Full Product Name	Size/Weight	UPC Code	Lot Code
Frontier Bulk	Nutmeg Ground	16.00 oz.	0-89836-00165-8	0306

Frontier Bulk Product					
Brand	Full Product Name	Size/Weight	UPC Code	Lot Code	
Whole Foods 365	Nutmeg Ground	1.92 oz.	0-99482-41931-8	0321	

On the bulk package, the lot code will be found on the front label directly above the UPC code. On the bottled glass item the lot codes can be found on the bottom of the bottle.

No illnesses have been associated with these Frontier or Whole Foods Market products but proceed to the FDA web-site (www.fda.gov⁹) for updated information.

Frontier is initiating recall notices to our accounts who received any of the above recalled products with instructions for returning or destroying the recalled products and for notifying their customers of the recall. Consumers should not consume these products. Please contact Frontier with any questions or to inquire about replacement or reimbursement at 1-800-669-3275. Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm Central time. If you have a Whole Foods item please contact your local store. Images of the products above can be seen by going to the following link: http://www.frontiercoop.com/recall/nutmeg¹⁰.